



ALEXANDRIA.

THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15.

THE PROTECTIONISTS say a high tariff increases wages. That it does not is proved by the patent facts that wages are higher in free trade England than in any of the tariff countries of Europe, and that the highest wages in this country are paid in the unprotected trades, such as bricklaying, plastering, carpentering, blacksmithing, painting, printing and others, while the lowest are paid in the most protected industries—the factories and mines. But, even were it otherwise, and if wages in all mechanical labor were increased by a high tariff, no body pretends that it increases those of farm laborers, and yet in numbers the latter exceed the former by many millions, and the basic principle of this country is the good of the many in preference to that of the few.

THE TAX on whisky is the fairest and easiest that can be laid, for the reason that its payment is entirely voluntary. Then, too, an essential principle of wise taxation is that it should be imposed upon those best able to bear it. Those rich enough to drink whisky should certainly be rich enough to pay for it. The tariff tax on salt and coal and the other necessities of life has to be borne by everybody, poor as well as rich, and as the former greatly outnumber the latter, they have to pay by far the greater part of it. And yet the Virginia Legislature has adopted a resolution in favor of the removal of the tax on whisky!

SENATOR CHANDLER, the author of the dispatch "You have 185 votes and are elected," sent to Mr. Hayes after the latter had accepted his defeat and had begun the resulting consequences to the negroes, has introduced a bill in the Senate to legalize federal interference with elections in some of the Southern States. Of course he has no idea that such a bill can be passed, his object being to provoke a debate, out of which political capital may be made for the next Presidential campaign. It is already apparent that the republican leaders don't intend to hesitate at any means that may result to their success next November.

THE WASHINGTON Republican says an ex-Confederate "should ever be permitted to occupy the position of judge upon the Supreme bench." It will be useless to attempt to break the solid South as long as republican mouth pieces give vent to such sectional utterances. The population of the South is composed almost entirely of ex-Confederates and their descendants, and as long as they are thus publicly informed by republican newspapers that an ex-Confederate shall ever be an associate justice of the Supreme Court, they will resent the insult by voting against the party by whose organs it is uttered.

THE U. S. Supreme Court having decided, in the recent Virginia coupon cases, that State officers can not be prosecuted by the national government for executing State laws, even though those laws be contrary to those of the United States, the State officers of Texas are enforcing the payment of the foreign drummers' tax, though the federal courts have decided that that tax is unconstitutional. The legitimate effect of the decision in the Virginia cases would be to set up, not only one, but thirty-eight governments, within another.

ACCORDING to *The Coal Trade*, a compendium of valuable information upon all matters relating to coal, the production of that article in Southwest Virginia increased from 105,865 tons in 1883, to 224,361 in 1886.

The *Overland Monthly* for December has been received from its publishers, in San Francisco. Its contents are: T. Shasta's Feet, Doubting Castle, An Unknown Quantity, Down the Nook, December, A Mexican Lover, Desert, Midwinter Days at Monterey, The Wind's Way, Ogalala, Sunday Observations of an Excursionist, Arabasque, A Newly Discovered Land, Indian War Papers, Five Years of Fiction and Verse, Etc., and Book Reviews.

## FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15, 1887.

State Senator Hubbard, of Virginia, carried the paper presented to the national republican committee, at its recent meeting here, requesting that committee to recognize General Mahone as the leader of the republican party in Virginia, to representative Yost, of Virginia, and asked him to sign it as all the other republican representatives from Virginia had done; but Mr. Yost declined, saying he did not agree with the contents of the paper, and did not think that General Mahone should be considered the head of the party in Virginia.

Depositions are being taken here to-day in the suit of Lunt and others vs. Addison for breach of contract in respect of the sale of 187 acres of land between this city and Alexandria, the plaintiffs asserting that they bought the land for \$112 an acre, but that the defendant wants \$1,000.

In the Senate yesterday Mr. Riddleberger presented a petition for the relief of Wm. Tabb, of Virginia.

The House elections committee met to-day, appointed a committee on rules, of which Mr. O'Ferral is a member, and fixed upon Tuesday next as the day on which they would designate the time for hearing the case involving the right of Mr. Speaker Carlisle to a seat in the House.

It is reported to-day that a contest will be made for the seat of Arnold, a republican member of the House from Rhode Island. If he and the republican contestes in Indiana are ousted, the republicans will not be able to elect the next President if the election shall be thrown into the House.

It is reported to-day that Mr. Randall will lead the fight against the tariff reduc-

tion, and that if he shall succeed the tariff democrats will press him for the nomination of the next national democratic convention. The bill to refund the money collected by the direct land tax of 1861, now before Congress, provides: That where the sums, or any part thereof, credited to any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, have been collected from the citizens thereof, either directly or by sale of property, such sums shall be held in trust by such State, Territory, or the District of Columbia for the benefit of those of its citizens from whom they were collected, or their legal representatives.

The Senate Commerce Committee paid Mr. Kenna of West Virginia a compliment to-day by making him, a democrat, chairman of the sub-committee to whom all nominations will be referred.

Among the nominations reported upon favorably are those of Mr. Dickinson to be Postmaster General, and Mr. Thompson to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. It was reported at the Capitol to-day that the Senate Judiciary Committee had held a meeting at which the fact was developed that there would be a fight over Secretary Lamar's confirmation as Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, but Mr. George, a member of that committee, when asked about it, said that the committee had held no meeting. Should Mr. Vilas be confirmed as Secretary of the Interior before Mr. Lamar be confirmed as a member of the Supreme Bench, the latter will be out of office. Should Mr. Lamar not be confirmed, of which, however, there is little probability, it will not be without precedent, for the nomination of Mr. Bates, of Tennessee, who had been both Senator and cabinet officer, for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, was rejected for no other reason than the fact that he did not belong to the majority party in the Senate.

It is understood at the Treasury Department that Mr. W. W. Scott, of Orange county, Virginia, will not be appointed to the position of appointment clerk of the Treasury, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Higgins, as the place is looked upon as one of a confidential character, and will therefore be filled by a personal friend of the Secretary.

Senator Faulkner is in receipt of numerous congratulatory telegrams and letters upon his admission. According to the report of the elections committee his contestant, Mr. Lucas, is not even entitled to the salary from the time he was appointed Senator to the time Mr. Faulkner was elected, the latter getting all of it.

Messrs. O'Connor and Esmond, the home rule members of the British Parliament, to whom a banquet was given last night, were on the floor of the Senate to-day, escorted by representative Collins, of Boston. Many of the Senators were introduced to them.

It is reported that Mr. R. C. Parsons, of Ohio, will be appointed marshal of the U. S. Supreme Court, vice Mr. Nicolay, who is said to be not stylish enough to suit the wives of the members of the court.

A woman died here yesterday from the poison in the green ink in which greenbacks and the new postage stamps are printed.

## Letters from Fauquier.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

ORLEAN, Fauquier County, Dec. 12, 1887.

The boys attempted and did succeed a newly married couple about five miles from this village on the evening of the 8th. The senders were ordered away from the house but did not go, and threw several stones at the brother of the bride, but fortunately all of them missing their mark. Warrants have been sworn out against nine or ten of those engaged in the fun who will be tried before Justice Parr to-morrow. This episode doubtless will break up the serenading parties which were becoming quite numerous, and causing a good deal of annoyance to those who were serenaded.

The prevailing good weather has given our farmers a good opportunity of breaking ground for the corn crop of 1888, and they have taken advantage of it and a large acreage has already been plowed. The acreage in wheat is smaller than ever known in our section.

A. J. Burr, eq., and Mr. J. B. Payne bagged to-day fifty-one partridges and one rabbit. Whopping cough is prevailing throughout the entire community, and there are a few cases of scarlet fever.

Farmers have finished housing corn and were blessed with good crops.

FAUQUIER.

RECTORTOWN, Va., Dec. 14.—Mr. E. S. Carroll has been appointed public probate for Rectorstown. Mr. C. will make a good officer and we are glad to see he has consented to accept.

Rectorstown is destined to become a rival to Warrington as a cattle market; hundreds of cattle have been sold here this season, and expenses to shippers are much less than at Warrington.

Wheat is looking very finely through this section.

Mr. Webb Maddox had one of his hogs stolen last Sunday, but he succeeded in finding the culprit.

President Cleveland's mes-ages meets with universal approval here. He would also meet great commendation if he would lift some fat republicans from offices that should be in the hands of democrats.

C. A.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

Diphtheria is raging near Catlin, Ill. The schools have been closed in consequence.

The Western Union directors yesterday declared a dividend of one and one-quarter per cent.

Gen. Boulanger has written a letter saying that France has greater need of generals than deputies.

Hon. James G. Blaine and Levi P. Morton were presented to President Carnot by Minister McLane yesterday.

General Thos. Kirby Smith, who was Grant's chief of staff at the close of the late war, died in New York yesterday, after a short illness.

The military situation in Central Europe has not improved, though diplomatic relations between Russia and Austria are still of a satisfactory character.

A writ of ejectment has been served upon the contractor who is building the Arthur Kill bridge, between Staten Island and New Jersey, ordering him to vacate the land in the middle of the stream.

The Tortella Gold Mining Company has sued James Gordon Bennett for \$300,000 for libel, and its president, J. H. Reali, has entered personal suit for \$250,000. The *Herald* some time ago charged the company with being a fraud.

The committee appointed by the Northern and Southern Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church to meet at Louisville, Ky., and confer upon the proposal to reunite the two branches of the church, held separate meetings yesterday. Both meetings were secret, and not a word is given for publication by the members of the committees.

## Appointment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed James M. Danie, of Fauquier county, Va., a storekeeper and gunner.

## LETTER FROM RICHMOND.

[Special Cor. of the Alexandria Gazette.]

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 14, 1887.—It was de-

cided to-day by the democrats to hold a caucus next Monday night to nominate city judges. The impression is that a judge for the city of Alexandria will not be nominated at that caucus because there is a bill now pending looking to the increase of the salary of the judge of the Corporation Court of Alexandria, and consequently it is thought that Alexandria will be passed by. There are one or two gentlemen spoken of in connection with the office who will not accept the position at the present salary, so a postponement of the nomination will probably be made so as to give these gentlemen a chance for the place. Members of the Legislature have no objection to increasing the salary provided the city is responsible for the increase.

Clerk Bigger, of the House of Delegates, will forward to each Representative in Congress and to the two U. S. Senators from Virginia a copy of the resolution requesting them to vote for the Blair bill, or any other better measure looking to Federal aid to the public free schools. The republicans tried very hard in the House to-day to get up some political capital when this resolution came up for consideration, but they made a "poor out of it" as prominent politicians remarked. Mr. Echols, the young democratic delegate from Augusta who has had much experience as a legislator, poured hot shot into the republican ranks during the debate upon the resolution. The way in which he referred to Mahone skulking into the cloak room to keep from voting upon the Blair bill was not at all pleasant to the ears of the republican delegates. Mr. Echols was speaking "by the record," and he took great pleasure in giving as his authority U. S. Senator Riddleberger. Mr. Echols' speech was highly complimented, as it was very timely. He was replying to Delegate Waddill, of Henrico, and this is the way he closed: "The democratic party of Virginia is in favor of the Blair bill. It has been consistent throughout in its advocacy of this important bill, and the gentleman from Henrico can not rise upon this floor and try to make the contrary appear without being met by a flat denial by me and my associates."

So Col. A. S. Buford, of Richmond, is made chairman of the House Committee on Finance. Col. Buford is the right man in the right place. He is a good financier, as his record will attest. It is said that shortly after the war he was a country lawyer with a small practice; indeed, his pocket book was very flat. He became interested in railroad enterprises, and to-day is rated at \$500,000. If the Colonel can make the same percentage for the Commonwealth while at the head of the Finance committee of the House Virginia could soon easily pay her debt. Mr. Hay, of Madison, was a member of the Committee for Courts of Justice last session, and his appointment as chairman of that committee this session is but a recognition of his valuable services two years ago. He is a young lawyer, a good talker, an experienced legislator, and, if I am not mistaken, he is dead against local option.

There will be a great deal of tariff talk in the Senate to-morrow, when the joint resolution requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to vote for the repeal of the internal revenue tax will be introduced in that body. The indications for two hours of tariff and internal revenue talk are very encouraging. Among the Senators who will have something to say upon the subject, and who will probably say at length, are Senators Heaton and Stubbs. The resolution comes up at one o'clock as a special order, and as it is a matter upon which every member desires to make a record, the probability is that the debate will not be concluded to-morrow.

Senator Mills was in his seat to-day when Senate joint resolution returning thanks to Attorney General Ayers, and Messrs. Scott and McCabe, for their action in testing the validity of the order of U. S. Circuit Court came up for consideration. He did not vote, however, and so Senator Heaton designated him. Senator Mills being required to vote, voted against the resolution. Immediately after this, Gen. Wickham, who had voted for the resolution, changed his vote to the negative. Senator Mills represents the county from which the Attorney General comes, and perhaps this is one reason why the Senator from Loudoun was anxious to know what Mr. Mills thought of the matter under consideration.

B. P. O.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mr. Wm. Hibbs, an old and well known citizen of Loudoun county, died on Sunday last at an advanced age.

The democratic members of the Legislature will meet in caucus in the hall of the House of Delegates next Monday night to nominate city judges.

It is said that a member of the celebrated Murrell gang of highway robbers, who were the terror of the West and Southwest fifty years ago, still survives in Fauquier.

George C. Lewis, a keeper on board Winter-quarter Shoal lightship No. 37, at Chincoteague, died in Philadelphia Tuesday from the effects of a stab wound received several weeks ago during a fight on board the vessel. Lewis was 28 years of age and was a native of Virginia.

At the caucus of the republican members of the General Assembly, held last night, General Mahone was unanimously nominated for United States Senator. It is claimed that all those who have been heretofore opposed to his receiving this compliment in the caucus were present and gave him their support.

As a milk wagon belonging to B. P. Sale, driven by a colored man, was going into Norfolk yesterday, when crossing the Norfolk and Terminal Railroad it was run into by a train of coal cars. The horse was killed, the wagon shattered and the driver terribly injured, his right hip being crushed and his head cut and bruised in a shocking manner.

In the City Circuit Court of Richmond yesterday a charter was granted to the Long Island Consolidated Gold and Mining Company of Virginia. The object of the company is to search for, develop and mine ores, minerals, &c. The capital stock is to be not less than \$50,000 nor more than \$180,000. The company has all the power and privileges of similar corporations chartered by authority in the State of Virginia.

During the discussion in the House of Delegates yesterday on the resolution instructing the representatives in Congress from this State to secure the passage of the Blair educational bill or some better measure, Mr. Elam said the people of the State, regardless of party ties, had endorsed the Blair bill, and knew exactly what it was. Some one on the democratic side asked the speaker if the record of the United States Senate did not show that Senator Mahone failed to vote for this bill. Mr. Elam said he knew Mahone was heartily in sympathy with the Blair bill. Another democratic member interrupted Mr. Elam to ask if Senator Riddleberger had not declared in a recent publication that Mahone dodged putting himself on record in favor of the Blair bill. To this Mr. Elam replied in substance that it made little difference to the House or anybody else what Riddleberger said on this or any other question.

A TRAGEDY.—A tragedy was enacted in Greensboro, N. C., at a late hour Tuesday night. Charles Crittenden, formerly a mail-route agent, O. G. Morgan, and a man named Brem, who were carousing in the McAdoo Hotel bar, between 11 and 12 o'clock, got into a quarrel, which was renewed on the street, when five shots were fired in rapid succession, all taking effect in Crittenden's body. He died almost instantly. Morgan, who is supposed to have fired all the shots, escaped. Brem was arrested and jailed. Bad blood has existed some time between Morgan and Crittenden, growing out of a game of cards, in which Morgan was accused of foul playing. Morgan is a deputy United States marshal, and is supposed to have escaped to the mountains, with the palps and byways of which he is familiar.

SUBDUING A REFRACTORY HORSE.—Prof. O. R. Gleason, the horse tamer, gave an exhibition before a crowded house at the E street rink in Washington last night, of subduing the vicious stallion Banchoiry, owned by Thomas Nelson, of Boyce, Clarke Co. The stallion was imported from Scotland, and has all the worst habits imaginable. After a prolonged contest, in which the animal struggled desperately, it was thrown. The brute fought vigorously, but Prof. Gleason conquered him notwithstanding. When he was finally permitted to get up Mr. Gleason had little trouble in taking his bridle off, putting it on again and handling his head as he pleased. To-night the animal will be put in harness for the first time.

FAUQUIER PROPERTY SALES.—Mr. E. T. Patterson has purchased the Shumate farm, near Warrenton, containing about 300 acres, at \$20 per acre.

Mr. Robert Lear has purchased, in the suit of Kemper vs. Fisher, 136 acres at \$14 per acre.

Mrs. S. A. Ludlum, formerly of Baltimore yesterday bought the Screven property, near Warrenton, for a home, paying \$6,000.

How often is the light of the household clouded by signs of melancholy or irritability on the part of the ladies. Yet they are not to be blamed, for they are the result of ailments peculiar to that sex, which men know not of. But the cause may be removed and joy restored by the use of Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," which, as a tonic and nerve for debilitated women, is certain, safe and pleasant. It is beyond all compare the great healer of women.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.—In the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, at Norfolk yesterday, resolutions were adopted inviting immigration and promising protection to all who come from other sections of the United States. A resolution was adopted pledging the members of the State Grange to use their efforts to defeat the re-election of the members of the Legislature who voted to displace Commissioner of Agriculture Harrison. Resolutions were adopted condemning the present system of land holding, and asking the Legislature to take steps to remedy the evil complained of; requesting the Legislature to take action regulating local freight, and instructing the committee on national legislation to take all proper steps to have the internal revenue tax removed. Fredericksburg was fixed upon as the next place of meeting of the second Grange in December, as the time. X. X. Charles, of Fredericksburg was re-elected worthy master for the ensuing year.

Gov. Lee yesterday received a letter from Gen. Francis H. Smith, stating that H. S. Carruth, eq., of Boston, was in Lexington last summer looking into the evidences of progress made in Virginia since the war, and that Mr. Carruth has recently donated a very fine library to the Virginia Military Institute.

Salvation Oil kills pain every time. For cuts, bruises, sprains, strains, burns, scalds and frost bites it is an infallible cure. Price only twenty-five cents a bottle.

## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The stock market was somewhat irregular but generally firm at the opening this morning, most stocks being from 1/4 to 3/4 per cent. above the closing prices of last evening. Prices developed a drooping tendency during the first few minutes when there was an active trading, but the market soon rallied from the depression and became decidedly dull. Most stocks advanced to slight fractions above the opening figures, Richmond and West Point showing most strength, with a gain of 3/4 per cent. This stock developed decided weakness late in the hour and receded 1 1/2 per cent. from its best price, and the general list sympathized to a limited extent, but in few cases did the movement amount to more than the loss of previous slight gains. The market became very dull toward 11 o'clock, and remained steady at about opening figures without feature of any sort. Richmond and West Point was very active, but the remainder were extremely dull throughout. Money 4 1/2.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Virginia 6s consolidated 42; past due coupons 65; 10-40—; new 3s 66 bid to-day.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, December 15.—Flour is quiet, with good receipts; notwithstanding the recent decline in wheat, millers hold firm and are not pressing sales except at current prices. The grain markets are still heavy. Wheat closed yesterday showing a loss of from 1/4 to 3/4 on the 1st of futures, with fair and ordinary grades of spot about the same, but there is no change to note in sweet, flaty lots, suitable for manufacturing choice brands of family flour; sales were made on 'Change this morning at from 77 to 83 for inferior to good Fultz. Corn is lower at 52 to 53 for new white and yellow; no old was offered. Rye and Oats are strong and steady. Poultry, Eggs, Butter and other produce are in liberal supply and easy.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Cotton steady and quiet; middling 10 1/2. Flour steady, with a moderate inquiry. Wheat—Southern firmer, with an active demand; red 8 1/2; amber 90 1/2; Western lower, closing dull; No 2 winter red spot 83 bid; Jan 84 1/2 bid; Feb 86 1/2 1/2; May 91 1/2 1/2. Corn—Southern easier and quiet; white new 53 1/2; yellow 53 1/2; Western lower, closing dull; mixed spot new 54 1/2; Jan 54 1/2; Feb 56 1/2; May 58 1/2. Oats steady and quiet; Southern and Penna 35 1/2; Western white 35 1/2; do mixed 36 1/2. Rye steady at 62 1/2. Provisions steady and quiet. Potatoes higher at 22 1/2. Coffee nominally higher; Rio cargoes ordinary to fair 15 1/2 to 19. Whiskey firm at \$1 1/4 to 1 1/2. Other articles unchanged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Cotton dull; uplands 10 1/2 to 11 1/2; Orleans 10 1/2 to 11 1/2; futures barely steady. Flour dull and weak. Wheat lower. Corn easier. Pork quiet and steady at 15 1/2 to 15 5/8; old mess Pork quiet and steady at 14 1/2 to 14 5/8. Lard firm at 77 1/2.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15, 11 a. m.—The leading futures were as follows: May Wheat 82 1/2; May Corn 53 1/2; May Oats 33 1/2; May Pork 15 27 1/2; May Lard 87 1/2.

## MARINE NEWS.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, DECEMBER 15.

Sun rises..... 7 9 1/2 Sun sets..... 4 42

Str. El's Weatherby, for this port, cleared at Norfolk 12th.

Sch. Three Friends, for this port, cleared at Edent N. C. 10th.

Sch. V. F. Hawley sailed from Washington, N. C. for this port 6th.



## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

## The Legislature.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 15.—The republicans of the House endeavored to make political capital to-day out of the nomination by the democratic caucus of Col. Thomas Whitehead as Commissioner of Agriculture. They wanted to know why Col. Harrison was removed. The Speaker ruled the resolution in regard to the matter as being out of order. It was introduced by Mr. Waddill.

The Senate adopted a resolution to-day, after lengthy discussion, favoring the immediate repeal of the internal revenue tax.

B. P. O.

## CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15, SENATE.

Among the papers laid before the Senate was a communication from Italian residents of Washington proposing to present to the United States a marble bust of Garibaldi, as "a link in the chain of sympathy which all free men feel for the champions of liberty and republican government." It was referred to the Committee on Library.

A resolution was reported by Mr. Pad dock, from the Committee on Contingent Expenses, to pay to the widow of the late Ben. Perley Poore a sum equal to six months' salary of his position as clerk to the Senate Committee on Printing (\$1,100), which was adopted.

A number of bills were then introduced and referred.

## HOUSE.

The House was not in session to-day.

## A Fatal Accident.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A Broken Bow, Neb. special says: James Rankin, a young farmer living near here, started out on the morning of December 10 for a hunt in a sleigh. When he had reached a point in the woods about half a mile from his father's house his double barreled shot gun slipped off the seat and in attempting to draw it toward him the hammer caught and both loads were discharged into his heart. His clothing caught fire from the flash and was burned off with the exception of the overshoes and a pair of felt boots. The remains were discovered yesterday lying in the sleigh about a quarter of a mile from the main road. His right hand still held the reins firmly and the horses were standing at the edge of a deep ravine. They had been without food since the accident occurred and had gnawed the sleigh tongue nearly in two.

## Attacked by Indians.

NOGALES, A. T., Dec. 15.—A band of renegade Yaqui Indians numbering 20 made a descent upon the El Lomel ranch near Antonio for the purpose of robbery. Laborers on the ranch opened fire on them, exchanging shots. The Indians fled, taking large quantities of corn. Pursuit was kept up as far as Pileasien Pileasien range. The tenth regiment Federal troops, stationed at Craz de Piedra also joined in the pursuit but failed to overtake them. The Indians are destitute and daring and serious trouble is feared.

## The Situation in France.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—M. Wilson has resolved to retain his seat in the Chamber of Deputies. At the meeting of radicals and extremists yesterday it was decided to withhold their votes from any measure implying confidence in the ministry. M. Lockroy, in his inaugural speech as President of the radical left, clearly indicated that their ideal of a republican concentration was the realization of a large portion of the radical programme.

## Shooting Affray.

MYRTLE, Ark., Dec. 15.—W. C. McRae and J. Dinnie, whisky detectives, were challenged to come out of the railway station waiting room here last night by a party of hotel keepers. They came out and George Brown, a bar tender of Port Perry, took out a revolver. Dinnie then produced his and they began firing at each other. Five shots were exchanged and Brown was fatally wounded. Dinnie escaped injury and disappeared.

## The Postmasters' Convention.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—At the postmasters' convention this morning one delegate from each State represented was appointed as a national committee. A committee to draft and take charge of the bill to be presented to Congress was appointed. The convention then adjourned, subject to the call of the national committee.

## Called on the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Sir Thomas H. Gratton Esmonds and Mr. Arthur O'Connor, M. P., called at the White House to-day in company with Representatives Collins, of Mass., and McShane, of Nebraska, for the purpose of paying their respects to President Cleveland.

## Strike of Coal Miners.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 15.—A strike of 1,100 coal miners occurred at Grove City, Pa., on the line of the Shenango and Allegheny Valley road, yesterday. A demand was made several days ago to arbitrate on the Columbus scale. The operators refused to do and the men went out.

## Federation of Labor.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—The morning session of the American Federation of Labor was consumed by the introduction of almost innumerable resolutions on various subjects. One was to boycott W. L. Douglas, a shoe manufacturer.

## Hotel Blown Down.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 15.—A heavy wind prevailed yesterday at Crescent, a new town ten miles north of here, and a hotel with sixteen inmates was blown down. Mrs. Clementine Arood and her ten-year-old daughter were killed. All the others were badly injured.

## Republican Club Convention.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The first national republican club convention assembled in Chickering Hall to-day. Representatives were present from all the States in the union. Jos. Pail, chairman of the executive committee on organization, called the convention to order at 11 o'clock.

## Poisoned Her Mother.

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Annie Burke, aged 22, daughter of William Burke, a gardener, has confessed to poisoning her mother, who died Tuesday. She had threatened to poison the whole family. She recently attempted to stab her father. It is thought she is insane.

## Death of Gov. Bodwell.

HALLOWELL, Me., Dec. 15.—Gov. Bodwell died this morning. His death was caused by congestion of the lungs, resulting from exposure and overwork.

The athletic movement in England has entirely died out, because—well because people think there is more good common sense in taking a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup than in carrying a Lily.

Mr. Henry C. Gist, a well known citizen residing near Leesburg, was stricken with paralysis of the right arm and leg on Sunday.

## "Consumption Cure"

would be a truthful name to give to Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," the most efficacious medicine yet discovered for arresting the early development of pulmonary disease. But "consumption cure" would not sufficiently indicate the scope of its influence and usefulness. In all the many diseases which spring from a derangement of the liver and blood the "Discovery" is a safe and sure specific. Of all druggists.

The usual treatment of catarrh is very unsatisfactory, as thousands of despairing patients can testify. On this point a trustworthy medical writer says: "Proper local treatment is positively necessary to success, but many, if not most, of the remedies in general use by physicians afford but temporary benefit. A cure certainly cannot be expected from stiffs, powders, douches and washes." Ely's Cream Balm is a remedy which combines the important requisites of quick action, specific curative power with perfect safety and pleasantness to the patient.